(c) what is the number of members of various sub-committees of the Commission, stating their qualifications and academic attainments;

(d) what are the details of the work done by these Committees; and

(e) what is the total amount spent on these committees during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) According to Section 5 of the U.G.C. Act, 1956, the Commission consists of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and ten other members, all appointed by the Central Govt. The Act also prescribes that of the ten members, two should be officers of the Central Govt., four should be teachers, and the remaining should be persons who have knowledge of, or experience in, agriculture, commerce, forestry or industry, or should be members of learned professions like engineering, medicine, law etc., or should be Vice-Chancellors or educationists.

(b) Under the UGC Act, only the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman are wholetime salaried officers. The other members do not draw any salary from the Commission. The total emoluments drawn by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman during the last three years are:

	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
Chairman	70,375	84,551	1,23,622
Vice-Chairman	22,275	52,015	1,11,027

(c) and (d) The UGC Act does not specify the Sub-Committees to be set up by the Commission. However, the Act envisages that the Commission takes various steps in furtherance of its objectives in consultation with the Universities or other bodies concerned. The Commission accordingly constitutes from time to time a number of Committees/Panels/Groups to advise it on the formulation of its programmes, their implementation, monitoring, evaluation, etc. Visiting Committees and Expert Groups are also appointed from time to time to visit Universities and assess their suitability for specific programmes and the financial needs for their implementation. The members of these Committees/Panels Groups are drawn from the academics in the Universities; Scholars and Professional from national laboratories, research institutions, specialised institutions, Central and State Govt. departments, etc. According to an estimate, several hundreds of such experts are associated with the work of the Commission every year.

(e) The total amount spent on the Committees, etc. during the last three years, in the form of travelling, etc. is:

1985-86	Rs. 22.02 lakhs
1986-87	Rs. 23.40 lakhs
1987-88	Rs. 30.62 lakhs

Carrying of passengers cargo by Air-India and the Indian Airlines

30. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of passengers carried by Air-India and Indian Airlines during the last three years;

(b) what is the volume of cargo or freight carried by Air-India and Indian Airlines during the same period; and

(c) what is the total number of flights of Air-India, country-wise, and

the total number of flights of Indian Airlines, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a):

	Air-India	Indian Airlines
1985-86 . . .	1780227	9129781
1986-87 . . .	1830078	9874881
1987-88 . . .	2133333	10440148

(b) (In Tonnes)

	Air-India	Indian Airlines
1985-86 . . .	66922	112451
1986-87 . . .	85529	116990
1987-88 . . .	97394	116812

(c) Country-wise weekly number of flights operated by Air-India during the last three years are as follows:—

Country	1986	1987	1988
USA .	7	7	7
UK .	9	11	11
France .	3	4	4
Germany	4	5	5
Holland	..	2	2
Italy .	3	3	3
Switzerland	1	1	1
Japan .	4	4	4
Thailand	3	6	5
Hong Kong	3	3	2
Australia	1	2	2
Singapore	4	9	8
Malaysia	3	3	3
USSR	2	2	3
Kenya .	3	3	2
Nigeria	2	1	..
Zimbabwe	1	1	..
Tanzania	1	1	..
Zambia .	1	1	1
Mauritius	1	1	1
Bangladesh	..	2	..
Saudi Arabia .	10	12	12
UAE .	31	48	41
Oman .	8	11	7
Bahrain .	3	3	3
Qatar .	3	3	3
Kuwait .	7	7	9
	118	156	139

Indian Airlines operated a total number of 111336, 116657 and 116750 flights during 1985, 1986 and 1987 respectivaly.

Primary schools in the coutnry

31. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of primary schools in the country and the number of students studying therein, as on date;

(b) whether all the villages in the country have been covered by the primary schools;

(c) if not, by when they are likely to be covered; and